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IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
KATSUSHI ASAI : ATTN: APPLICATION DIVISION  
SERIAL NO: NEW U.S. APPLN. :  
FILED: HEREWITH :  
FOR: METHOD FOR PREPARING BIOREACTOR:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS,  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 3 of this paper.